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MEMORANDUM FOR: Associate Deputy to the DCI for the  
Intelligence Community

SUBJECT : Response to Goulder on Laserfax

1. Those of us in the DDI concerned about imagery transmission (including [redacted]) have studied your proposed draft to Mort Goulder on this issue. While we would have preferred to be dealing with Hall rather than Goulder at this point, we recognize your need to be responsive to Goulder in the first instance and the political necessity of having some sort of USIB blessing in the second, before telling Hall what we plan to do.

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2. That being the case, we would propose the editorial and substantive changes indicated on the attached draft before sending it on to Mort. The substantive changes are intended to a) reduce the emphasis in the first draft on the experimental nature of the Laserfax net, and b) avoid giving ASD(I) the impression that we look to him for guidance on non-DoD participation in the proposed network. Finally, we think it important that you reiterate the Director's continuing commitment to a Laserfax network.

3. Depending on the outcome of your exchange with Goulder, and on the reaction to [redacted] report, we would hope that your next move could be an early memo directly to Hall, rather than an approach through USIB. We want to avoid losing valuable time

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and momentum, and be able to respond to the contractor's bid within the 30-day consideration period -- which will end in mid-November. This would also keep the program on the present schedule of IOC in the fall of 1976.

[Redacted]

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Attachment  
As stated

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